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Resolution passed for student services restructuring

By Jennifer Madonia and Frank Mastroianni

Last week in a special Student Government session a resolution was passed calling for the removal of James Barquinero as vice president of student services.

According to Student Government President A.J. Ciesielski, The resolution cites that the Vice President for Student Services be made a singular position with the sole objective of overseeing student affairs.

With regards to the removal of James Barquinero from his current position, Ciesielski stated, "Barquinero is not experienced or qualified enough to be effective in student affairs and that Barquinero's actions have been inappropriate and unprofessional at student events...Barquinero has forgotten about the students."

For over an hour, student government representatives and members of the student body discussed many issues. Among those issues were the Women's Center, the Drug and Alcohol

Abuse Center, and Dean Bozzone. Along with the questions of effective interaction, and what qualifications are necessary to accomplish the Vice President of Student Services job. The students felt they had the right to be angry and the right to be heard.

As the meeting progressed, James Barquinero arrived to field student questions. When asked to define his position as Vice President for Student Services, Barquinero responded, "Orchestra leader."

"I think its the ability to bring a number of professionals with specific expertise together for one common goal; the goal, the servicing of the students," added Barquinero.

The resolution statement that Barquinero is "underqualified and inexperienced," was questioned by a student. When asked what prerequisites would make one qualified to be Vice President of Student Services, a Student Government representative said "The person should have a student services background and a masters degree."

Barquinero feels that he is

qualified. "I have been successful in Admissions and Student Life in my last two places of employment," said Barquinero. He has thirteen years experience in education, with ten of those years at the collegiate level.

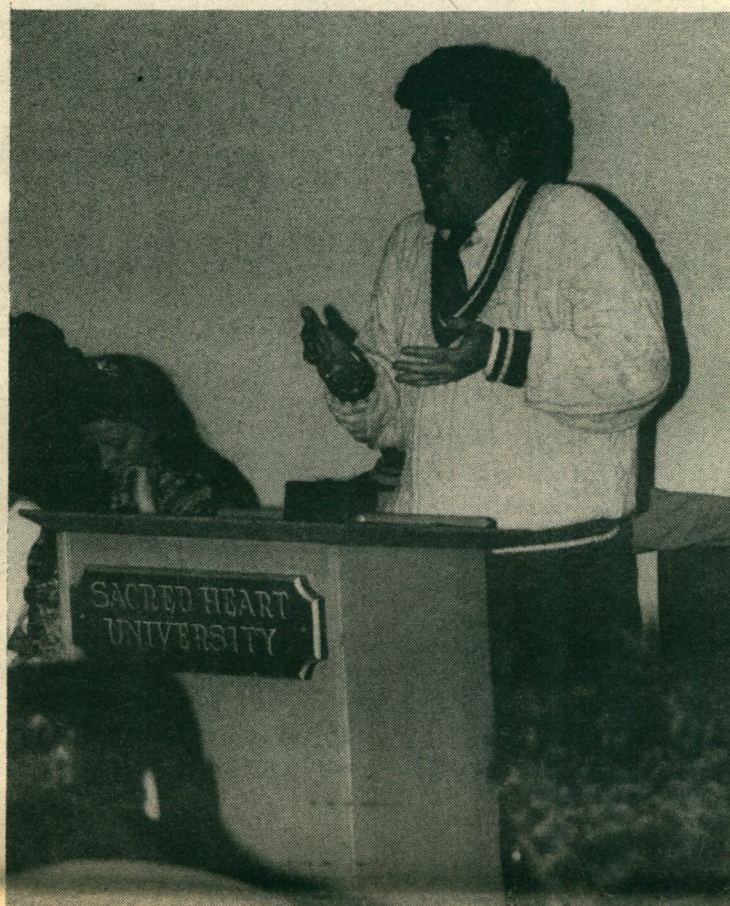
Barquinero concluded by saying, "Perception is reality. Everything I do, it's my life philosophy. If you perceive that I'm not around, then I'm not around. It doesn't matter if I think I'm here all the time. I have to work harder at that."

In the latest development in the continuing controversy, Student Government last Tuesday presented their resolution to the Faculty Senate

According to Ciesielski, "The purpose of bringing the resolution to the senate floor is to make the senate aware of the situation and to eventually gain their support."

In his proposal to the Faculty Senate, Ciesielski stated numerously that Student Government's was not a personal attack against Barquinero, but

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Vice President of Enrollment Planning and Student Services, James Barquinero addresses a group of students gathered in the Faculty Lounge.
Photo by Michael Champagne

New S. G. president elected

By Frank Mastroianni
News Editor

Last week Student Government held its annual elections in which Todd Ross and Jason Calabrese were elected President and Vice President respectively.

Ross brings to his new position, one year's experience as Vice President and two years of service as a Student

Government representative.

According to Ross, "It's essential to have student representation on the board of trustees. As Vice President I have requested this representation and I will continue as president."

A major issue on Student Government's agenda involves the recent resolution concerning restructuring of student services.

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First SHU Block Party starts Friday

By Emily Mateka
Staff Writer

At 8 p.m. on Friday, April 24, the first leg of the Student Government-funded Block Party Weekend starts out as Casino Night, in the Gymnasium at SHU. Participation is on a walk-in basis. Various games such as blackjack, poker, and craps will be played for fake money. Prizes such as a television set, a video cassette

recorder, and a Sega Genesis video game system will be given away. Casino Night will be from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.

The entire Block Party Weekend was conceived of and worked upon by Danielle Purciello, Junior Class President, and Denise Sutphin, both of whom work in the Activities Office. Miss Purciello came up with the idea, and both she and Miss Sutphin had been working hard to create this for the past two months. According to Denise, the weekend, which is free of charge, had been designed to emphasize complete student involvement; as well, this will be "the last weekend before finals, so we want it to be a huge blowout."

At 1 p.m., Saturday, April 25, the second part, entitled Spring Fling, begins in the North parking lot (on the Jefferson Street side). The environment will be a "county fair" setting, with various activity

booths, each of which will cost money. Among the activities are: a dunking booth, batting cages, a "gyro," Tarot card/palm readers, caricaturists, and old style photographers.

As well, radio station KC101 will be broadcasting from 2 to 4 p.m. Various clubs and organizations will have their booths set up for anyone interested in joining them, and the DJ Electrolyte will be playing for most of the day. The food vendors will include: Kentucky Fried Chicken, Taco Loco, Boardwalk Fries, I Can't Believe it's Yogurt, and others. As Miss Sutphin said, it should be an "overall good day for the outside."

Later that night, at 6:30 p.m., a Lip Synch Contest will be held at the Quad. The prizes to be awarded are: 1st- \$100.00; 2nd- \$50.00;

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Recipients of the 1992 Charles Plohn Art Scholarships at Sacred Heart University are (left to right) Laura Beede, Leon Gomez and Tamara Joynes.
Photo by Michael Champagne

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NEWS BRIEFS

SHU Chorus to perform free concert

The Sacred Heart University Chorus will present an informal concert on Thursday, April 30th at 7:45 p.m. in Room A. The concert will contain selections of Pop, Jazz, and Broadway. All are welcome and admission is free. For more information, call Leland Roberts at 371-7735.

Conference on Native American Culture

The New England Native American Institute is sponsoring the Third Annual Conference on Native American Culture at the Boxborough Host Hotel and Conference Center in Boxborough, MA, on April 24, 25, and 26. The event is open to all who are interested in Native American culture.

Workshops, lectures, and slide presentations on topics such as spiritual ceremonies and rituals; Indian genealogy; Native American music; and legends, storytelling, and contemporary literature.

The conference will begin Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. with a banquet, speaker, and a Native American flute concert. An all day Pow Wow will occur on Saturday and Sunday featuring activities such as singing, dancing, drumming, storytelling, Indian flute, and demonstrations. Indian jewelry, herbs, beads, books, baskets, and contemporary artifacts will be available for sale at the Pow Wow.

For further information about the conference, call (508)791-5007.

Skills Center Recruiting Peer Tutors For Fall

The Workshop skills Center is presently recruiting about ten new students from majors across-the-curriculum to join its present staff of peer tutors. We need peers to tutor students in biology, business, chemistry, computer science, English, history, psychology, fine arts, religion, philosophy and sociology.

Interested students qualified by good writing and interpersonal skills, above average abilities in their majors as well as schedules allowing for flexibility in tutoring evenings and weekends as well as days are invited to apply.

If interested in being part of the SHU Peer Tutor Program, please submit to Jackie Rinaldi, director of WSC or Jeanne Galog, secretary of WSC, S201, a copy of your transcript along with a brief letter stating your career goals, previous work experiences and reasons for wanting to be a peer tutor. Deadline for applying is Thursday, May 7, 1992.

Great Cow Manure!

On Thursday, April 23 at 11:00 a.m. in the Quad, the class of 1995 will be sponsoring "The Great Cow Manure."

This will be the opening event for Block Party Weekend. The logistics of the "GCM" are basic. The Quad will be mapped out into four hundred squares. These squares will be sold at two dollars each. Then a cow, borrowed from Snowe's Farms in Easton, will be introduced. This cow, or calf to be more specific, has a duty to relieve himself on one of the four hundred squares.

The person whose pre-purchased square corresponds to the defamed square on the Quad, wins half of the "Kitty," which is estimated to be between \$350-\$400. The other half goes to the class of 1995.

Squares will be sold on the 21st, 22nd and before 11:00 a.m. on the 23rd. Any interested students should see Maria Poupolo, Denise Discepolo or John Bowman. This is "No Bull."

Hey! Hee! Rock and roll, Ruck On!



The Sacred Heart Rugby Club, coached by Tom Kubic, practices a "walkover" - a means of gaining control of the ball in a scrum. The team recently played and lost 18-4 to a tough Connecticut College team. Scoring SHU's only "Tri" - which is really worth four points - was freshman Bill Regan of Townhouse 5. Way to ruck, Bill! Their final game is tentatively scheduled against Central Connecticut State College one week from Saturday at Central. Photo by Michael Champagne

VP: new position requested for student services

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rather a call addressing the need for new student services. "Barquinero has done a fine job in the area of enrollment, but with such a demanding workload, something had to suffer," said

Ciesielski.

Another issue addressed at the senate meeting was Barquinero's occasional outbursts. According to Senate President Dhia Habboush, "I have flared-up at times but have never used foul language."

SHU History Professor Paul

Siff added, "If he has a volatile temper then he is not the man for the job. I have heard in the past about his volatile personality. We have an administration growing out of control."

The Faculty Senate is expected to review the resolution and vote on it by the end of the semester.

Ross: elections name new student gov't leaders

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"The issue of student services will continue to be addressed under my presidency.

"I feel this is a very important issue, as Sacred Heart University continues to expand, student services have to grow with it."

When asked to define the role of Student Government President, Ross said, "The president is the voice of and for the students."

According to Ross, his chief responsibility is to represent the students. "I will maintain constant contact with students." Ross' chief responsibility in that regard is to be a soundboard

"My focus is not only in the major issues that face Sacred Heart students but as well as the small day to day challenges that may arise," said Ross.

Ranking high on Ross' list of priorities is establishing the Cultural Awareness Network. According to Ross, "There's a division within the students and I hope this network will close the gap."

Ross concluded by thanking

the student body for the chance to represent them and by saying, "Back in 1980 Student Government

President Ray Bastarache said it best and I will follow in that I don't consider Jason Calabrese as my VP, I consider him as president.

"Working along with Jason, I feel we can together improve the quality of the academics and social aspects here at SHU."

According to Calabrese, "My role as Vice President will be to assist the President and his agenda. I feel fortunate in this respect because Todd has laid the groundwork for tremendous changes at SHU."

In addition to adhering to the agenda set out by the President, Calabrese has set some goals of his own. "I plan to learn more about the governing body here at SHU. The more knowledge I have in this area, the better I can serve the students," said Calabrese.

Already in the working is the Council for Clubs and Organizations (CCO). According to Calabrese, "The CCO is a group which plans to unify and upgrade involvement all the clubs and

organizations here on campus.

"Next Fall we plan to launch a major campaign of revitalizing student participation in student clubs and organizations. We also hope to see as a result of this effort student clubs and organizations working closely together to enhance the quality of student life here at Sacred Heart."

Calabrese continued by saying, "The presence of on-campus dormitories marks a major turning point in the development of the university. It's important that the needs of these new students are met.

"As a student orientation leader I will be there from day one. As Student Government Vice President, I plan to be there every other day of the year."

In summing up his feelings about the elections, Calabrese said, "I feel the field of competition was well represented during the campaign. I feel honored in having been chosen to represent the students and hope to show my gratitude in my performance as Vice President."

Party: public invited to Sacred Heart spring bash

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and 3rd- \$25.00. All parties interested in joining all of these activities can sign up in the Activities Office up to April 25.

Then, at 9 p.m. at the football field, is a showing of the movie "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle," starring Rebecca deMornay and Annabella Sciorra.

Finally, at 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 26, the last segment of Block

Party Weekend will be concluded with Powder Puff Football, at the football field. The males will be coaching, the females will be playing, and there will be seven people per team in a touch football game.

Thank you Mr. Lou Rizzo (if that is your real name!) and WRKI for making this semester such a blast.

Talk to you in September!

College students find work at sperm banks

(CPS) It may just be the most unusual part-time job any student ever put on a resume.

Fertility laboratories across the country are paying as much as \$380 a month for students to donate their semen to help infertile couples have a child through artificial insemination.

"In most cases, students are the vast majority of donors," said William Andrews, executive director of the American Fertility Society in Birmingham, Ala.

Andrews cited two reasons for this. First, he said, infertile couples are looking for donors who are intelligent. Secondly, Andrews said the students simply need the money.

Medical students are the most common donors, Andrews said. This type of work particularly appeals to these students because they face higher education costs, have little time for work and are

most likely to be located near a fertility lab.

At Eastern Virginia's Medical School sperm bank, all of the donors are students, Andrews said.

At least 10 major sperm banks are located at colleges and universities in the United States, including the Universities of Texas, Wisconsin, Missouri and Rochester.

The short time required to earn money at a sperm bank is a major appeal to college students.

"They're in school full time and they have no time to go out for several hours and work at a job," said Chris Leonard, an office manager with Zygen Laboratory, a fertility lab in Van Nuys, Calif. that recruits students from local colleges and universities.

Some students have been donating regularly to Zygen for more than a year, Leonard said. She estimates that as many as 75

students are actively donating to Zygen, earning \$30 per accepted sample. Andrews estimates that the nationwide average paid to donors is about \$35 a sample.

College newspaper

Fertility laboratories across the country are paying as much as \$380 a month for students to donate their semen to help infertile couples have a child through artificial insemination.

advertisements are a popular way to recruit student donors. A recent Zygen lab ad in the Daily Sundial at California State University, Northridge, offered "up to \$380 a month for only six hours of your

spare time."

Donations are accepted only after a rigorous screening process that tests samples for adequate sperm count and sexually transmitted diseases. Each donor faces questions about his sexual background and must undergo a physical and a blood test for the HIV virus.

Zygen lab allows students to donate up to three times per week. Other fertility labs place greater restrictions on the number of contributions per week.

Zygen lab supervisor Anh Lee said the company prefers students as donors because they are often healthier, better educated and between the preferred ages of 18 and 35. There is also more ethnic diversity on campus, and the couples who use the samples are of all races.

Even so, there may be some restrictions. At Zygen, for

example, students who are 5 foot 7 or under need not apply.

"Most of the (couples) don't like short men," Le said.

Students also may be more intrigued by the idea of helping infertile couples, said Nancy Shanfeld, health promotion coordinator at California State University, Northridge's student health center. "With the number of infertile couples today — and I read recently that it's one out of six couples — you've got a tremendous problem. Forty percent of the time, it's the male with the problem," she said.

Despite the high pay for short hours, most students should not expect to work their way through college as a sperm donor. Because of the careful screening, only a limited number of students are accepted.

"You can say our average is about five out of 50," Le said.

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Goodbye, God bless, Amen.

Within Confucianism one finds the following proverb: Any fool can do it, why can't I?

This proverb was given to me in June of 1990, when I began the journey which ends on 16 May.

After a six-year absence I returned to finish my degree in July 1990. It took only one phone call to start the ball rolling. Now that I have tied this loose end I will be eternally grateful that Dr. John Kikoski was in his office that day in June 1990, to answer the phone and unlock the door to my future. Like a circle, I began with Dr. Kikoski and ended with him in my last semester.

Although he refuses to see the truth about Freemasonry and the New World Order, I will take a piece of Dr. Gary Rose with me wherever I go because he has taught me that there is not a win or lose in any situation, rather a respect for belief that is most important. He would never accuse anyone of being intellectually immature for having strong beliefs.

The last faculty member I will mention (but not the last to have influenced me) is Dr. Roberta Staples. She may not be a lion, but she is a lion's cub.

In my personal life I must begin by thanking the One True God for everything. Without Him I am nothing.

Next, I must thank my wife. Had she not allowed us to escape from Hell (Atlanta for the uninitiated) and had she not placed my degree as the most important, I would not have a qualified future.

Other than my wife there is only one person who has given me the encouragement (emotionally and financially) to get to this point. Eternal gratitude for George Thomas Kosar is not strong enough to express my feelings.

To the Sacred Heart University Debate Society, all of you are a remarkable group of unique individuals. Do not allow the reputation of this institution on the debate circuit to hamper your drive, enthusiasm, or self respect. As a group, you can overcome anything if you persevere.

Yes, I realize I have forgotten all the acquaintances I have encountered since August of 1990. To those who matter, I will search you out and express my gratitude in person.

Now that this is over I'm off to seminary in October and then for my graduate studies at a real school.

Good bye, God Bless, Amen.

Philip J. N. Trahan

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Finally, the students make a dent

By Chris Nicholson
Associate Editor

Last week, the Student Government passed a resolution of no-confidence in Jim Barquinero, the current vice-president of enrollment and student services at Sacred Heart. The *Spectrum* printed a story filled with allegations made by Student Government President A. J. Ciesielski that Barquinero does not have the students' best interests in mind, and does not have adequate experience to be a vice-president of student services.

Student Government's vote was not a personal vendetta on Barquinero, it was merely a request to the administration that the position of vice-president for student services be reinstated on this campus as a full-time position held by one person who would hold no responsibilities other than maintaining student affairs. The resolution is now being reviewed by the Faculty Senate.

Obviously, this issue has caused a lot of controversy and debate at Sacred Heart. The word from reliable sources says that this motion, even if endorsed by the Faculty Senate, will die on President Cernera's desk.

But I say, who cares? The students have already accomplished what they set out to do: to have more attention paid to the student services division of the university, which has been deteriorating for the past year.

I know a lot of people will disagree with that statement, and say that the students' voices will simply not be heard, and services

on campus will keep deteriorating. They'll say that the students have been ignored before, and they will continue to be ignored.

But consider this: Barquinero has only two options now. He can resign as student services coordinator and let someone else take over that portion of his job, or he can start paying more attention to the students. Either way, the students win, because their voices will be heard more, and their needs will be better addressed.

Some say that Barquinero can simply ignore the whole situation, but that is not a viable option. If he chose to ignore this, it would only come back to haunt him again in a few months, and he must know that.

The students are taking action now, and a response will come now. There will either be a new student affairs coordinator, or the current one will pay more attention to that part of his job. Either way, the students benefit immensely, and that's what really counts.

Another good thing has sprung out of this situation: I have finally seen students working together.

In the past year, a visible division has become apparent between resident students, commuters and athletes, like three alien countries existing in the same world.

Last Tuesday, a good number of students, representing all facets of the student body, supported Student Government's proposal to the Faculty Senate. There were resident students, commuter students, and even athletes, all supporting the same cause.

One football player came forth to express an opinion on the topic immediately after his coach, Gary Reho, finished praising Barquinero. My first thoughts were that the football team was banding together to support a cause for their coach. However, my prejudices were quickly buried as the player explained that other members of the team agree with Student Government, but are afraid to speak out because of the possible detrimental consequences.

That's when I realized that the three major groups on campus were sitting in the same room together, fighting for the same cause, together. You see, we're not as different as we make ourselves out to be. Maybe if the students banded together more often instead of separating into warring cliques, then they could command a stronger, louder voice on this campus.

Lastly, I have some questions. Why were the football players afraid to voice their opinions? Why did a girl at last week's Student Government meeting proclaim that she was afraid to talk about the controversial issue at hand? Why were two people's jobs threatened because the students suggested a protest? Why did a high administrator say that he would "come down hard" on Student Government if they passed the resolution?

All of these questions lead to what I really want to know: Why is there an active attempt to suppress the voices of the students?

It's not fair, it's not ethical, and it's not right. And it is illegal.

PONTIFICATIONS

By Philip J.N. Trahan
Editor-in-Chief

Out With a Bang

This is it, the final chapter in the long running series. My goal when I began this column was to get people to think and react. This was not an easy task because most of the citizens of this institution would rather complacently progress than to think and react.

The topics covered in "Pontifications" have ranged from the inadequate courses offered at SHU (remember History of Sports in America?), the truth about the persecution of True Believing Christians in Czechoslovakia, students' rights issues (remember faculty evaluations), slander (NOT), misquotes (NOT), the truth of Ecumenism, the Faculty and students being afraid of the administration, the death penalty, AIDS, and a plethora of others.

I've offended some, angered some and cheered some. One poor fool disagreed with everything I wrote because I refused to

be "politically correct" and brown-nose the administration (more aptly called the Wizard of Oz and the Emerald City). I would have loved to get into this person's mind to help them realize that political correctness and brown-nosing will eventually lead to totalitarianism. But, this person probably thinks welfare is good, prejudice is good, socialism is good, the Moonies taking over UB is good, everything is good.

Well, everything isn't good, and because of that I fear for the future of this school and this newspaper. I fear for the future of this school because the students (the very backbone of this University) do not have an effective voice. Some might say "There's Student Government...." Right, when was the last time Student Government did anything (other than plan a party) for the students? When was the last time a member of the fac-

ulty stood up and demanded that the students be heard? I realize that they are afraid to talk, but if the intimidation does not end, when will education begin?

I fear for this paper because now it will return to the brown-nosing cage liner of the past. Student issues will not be covered because these make "the school look bad." The only student opinion to be found in the paper will be in "The Students' Voice," and those questions will be along the lines of: "Do you like green tea?" More inanities for the inane.

Well, I'm out of here. I wash my hands of it all today. I now hand down my keys to this office to another. I know in my soul that I can walk away proud that I did the best I could under not so amicable conditions.

My final words: Wake Up! It's later than you think!

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Letters to the Editor

PRAISE FOR SPECTRUM

To The Editor:

I am writing to commend the staff of the *Spectrum*, under the leadership of the current Editor-In-Chief, Phil Trahan, for the great job they have done this semester. Unfortunately there are some members of the SHU community who may disagree.

Phil has continuously been met with disapproval from members of this university for remarks made by him on issues surrounding SHU, and the World, and for printing comments made by students which they (Administration, Faculty and Staff) felt were in poor taste and not fit for print.

I applaud Phil and his staff for taking off the rose-colored glasses and telling it like it is. It's about time someone did. Phil not only has integrity and values, he also has a great respect for the right of free speech and the true meaning of freedom of the press. Phil knows the importance and responsibility of a Journalist in keeping the public

informed.

For the past semester, Phil has not backed down from his views, nor has he succumbed to the pressure from Administration to keep quiet. Rather he has stood up for himself and the rest of us with him who want to know the truth and will not accept the propaganda we are so often served on a silver platter by Dr. Cernera and the rest of his cohorts.

As graduation draws near I congratulate Phil on a job well done and can only hope his successor has enough guts to carry on in his footsteps, rather than brown-nose as all the past Editors of the *Spectrum* have done.

In May I will lose a good friend and a man who holds my greatest respect and admiration. Unfortunately I must remain here for another year and once again be submitted to untruth and cover-ups as I read the *Spectrum*.

Lori Lipsitz
Business/Education

ARE DORMS TOO IMPORTANT?

To the Editor:

As you know, the "Residential Movement" that has taken place at our great university has hit us like a storm. The university is constantly trying to find ways to help out the resident students. Since it is a new task that we are trying to accomplish, I feel that we have really overdone the job.

I sincerely have nothing against the students at the dormitories because I have friends there, but it is easy to see that we are trying to find our way down this path blindly.

SHU has roughly 4,500 students and only 300 residential. Is this just a passing phase because of the new phenomena that we are

seeing at our twenty-eight year young college? The *Spectrum* has spent an immense amount of time viewing, judging, helping, and sometimes even criticizing the dorms and the residents. Now I've even read that there is a special newsletter just for the dorms. Why are we putting those dorms on such a high pedestal? It is obvious that out university isn't dependant on the dorms, but if we keep heading in this direction, soon we will find all of the commuter students requesting a place at the dorms.

Why don't we start a newsletter just for commuters too?!

Brian Reeves

EXPAND THE CAFE!

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in regards to our new cafeteria. There have been plenty of letters concerning the long lines and the slow service, but my concern is for next year.

With an increase of approximately 250 freshmen resident students, how will the cafeteria be able to accommodate all of these

people? The cafeteria is not that big. We can barely fit in there now! We, as students, are aware of this obvious problem. It is a shame that the administration and Sielers Staff can not see the obvious.

Thank You,
Linda Polletta
SG Freshmen Rep.

Observations from a Broad

By J. Broad
Columnist

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Plutonium perhaps? Or maybe this is the alert affixed on those new, high-tech fire extinguishers. The admonishment on the propane tank for the gas grill in your backyard, you imagine? Good guess, but not even close. This is the warning message on the highly explosive, dangerously combustible, treacherously toxic, coolly refreshing, flammable substance from hell: 7up.

Yes, 7up. Crisp and clean, no caffeine, feelin' 7up. I can see it now:

Gruff police officer: Can you describe the events that transpired during the alleged larceny incident?

7-11 cashier: Huh?

G.P.O.: Tell me what happened.

7-11: Oh. He stuck me up, so I gave him the money.

G.P.O.: Did you get a look at the gun?

7-11: Gun? It was a 2-liter bottle of 7up, on sale for \$4.49. Not only did he point it at me, but he shook it first!

G.P.O.: (shaking his head) It's a dangerous game these punks are playing these days.

Maybe we can learn something from the makers of 7up. Maybe we should put warning labels on all potentially dangerous objects...

Me: I can beat this premise to death in 800 words or less.

Reader: J., beat this premise.

How about a label on macho guys: **WARNING! THIS INDIVIDUAL WILL STOP AT ALL MIRRORS OR OTHER REFLECTIVE DEVICES. HE MAY PERFORM UNNECESSARY, AND LARGELY**

MEANINGLESS, FEATS OF STRENGTH FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF SHOWING OFF. PLEASE KEEP AWAY FROM ALL SITUATIONS WHERE INTELLIGENCE OR SENSITIVITY IS REQUIRED.

A warning on women with PMS would bear a striking resemblance to the 7up warning, with a few modifications. **WARNING! THIS INDIVIDUAL MAY EXHIBIT VIOLENT MOOD SWINGS FOR NO APPARENT REASON, RESULTING IN BRUISED EGO OR OTHER SERIOUS INJURY. PLEASE REFRAIN FROM ANNOYING THIS INDIVIDUAL WHILE SHE IS NEAR SHARP OBJECTS OR OPEN FLAMES, ESPECIALLY DURING THE THIRD WEEK OF EACH MONTH.**

Please note: if you were offended by either of the above paragraphs, you should ask yourself why.

I've even thought of a few warnings that would make the daunting domain of dating less dangerous:

CAUTION: THOUGH THIS GENTLEMAN MAY APPEAR TO BE SENSITIVE AND CARING HE IS ACTUALLY NOT. IT'S ALL AN ACT TO TRY TO IMPRESS YOU INTO THINKING HE'S DIFFERENT. PLEASE BE ADVISED OF THE ESSENTIAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN WHICH THE WRITER OF THIS COLUMN HAS STOLEN FROM A COMEDIAN WHO'S NAME HE CANNOT REMEMBER: "WOMEN ARE LOOKING FOR EVERY NEED, WHEREAS MEN ARE LOOKING FOR EVERY WOMAN TO FULFILL THEIR ONE NEED."

DANGER: THIS INDIVIDUAL HAS JUST BEEN INVOLVED IN THE BREAK UP OF A RELATIONSHIP THAT LASTED A VERY LONG TIME. YOU ARE THE FIRST NEW PERSON HE/SHE HAS DATED IN NEARLY FIVE YEARS. HE/SHE IS "NOT READY FOR A

RELATIONSHIP" AND YOU WILL BE "JUST FRIENDS." MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU.

WARNING! THIS COLUMNIST HAS RUN OUT OF IDEAS FOR WARNING MESSAGES ALTHOUGH HE REALLY LIKES TYPING IN ALL CAPS. Please be advised that the column will now change topics very abruptly with little or no connection between the first part of the column and the second part of the column.

I am calling upon you readers with a subject of utmost importance to my mental well-being: I have misplaced a column topic. Well, actually, I haven't misplaced the topic itself, merely what I thought was funny about it in the first place.

You see, impaled upon the wall of my room/office, there is a list of future column topics. In this auspicious area live such memorable column ideas as "fuzzies," "potatoes," and "dating resumes." From such cryptic phrases I can usually remember what I meant to write about when I actually sit down to write—but not always.

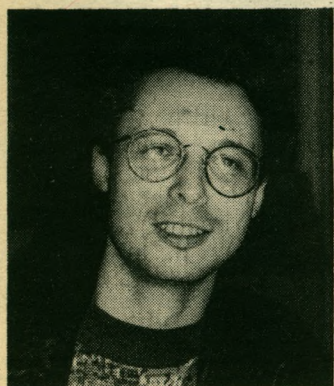
There is one maverick topic that has slipped through the cracks of my imagination like linguini with clam sauce through a slotted serving spoon. "Auxiliary life/VISA payments" is the only clue I left for myself. If you have seen the joke behind this phrase, or know someone who has, please contact me sometime over the summer so I can finally write the column and print it next semester.

Which reminds me, I will be back next semester, despite what you may have heard. I am passing *Common Sense* on to two eminently qualified individuals, but I will continue to write this column. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to everyone who reads this column, especially those who told me when they liked (or hated) something that I wrote. I appreciate your support and thank you for encouraging my behavior.

The Student Voice

By Chris Nicholson and J. Broad

What is your opinion of Student Government's no-confidence vote in Jim Barquinero as coordinator of student services?



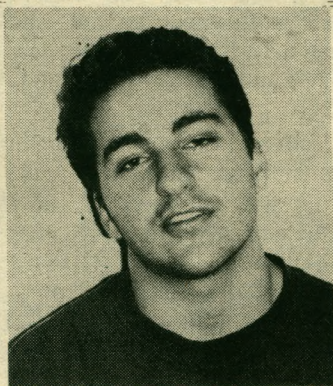
Martin Lanser
Junior
Computer Science

If the guy's not doing his job, fire him.



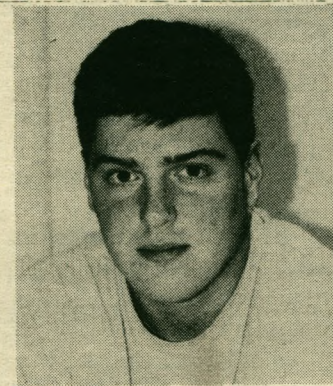
Rebecca Connolly
Freshman
Biology

I haven't heard a lot about the situation.



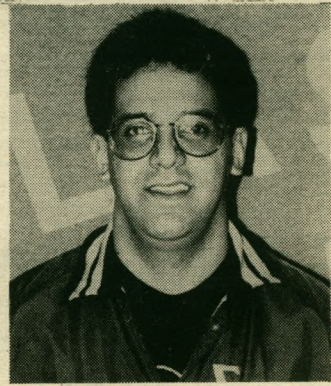
Mark Forlenzo
Senior
Accounting

I feel that this vote should be considered by the administration because it has a direct bearing on the services that the university provides for the students. However, it should be a decision made by both the administration and the students.



Cason Ramos
Freshman
Undecided

I think that we need somebody whose main concern is with the students.



Paul Molnar
Junior
Media Studies

Although he's doing an excellent job in enrollment, I feel that there should be a separate position for student services. I'm glad that student government got involved with the issue.

AIDS: an equal opportunity disease

By Ginny McLevy
Contributing Writer

AIDS is an equal opportunity disease. As the epidemic cuts across age, gender, ethnic, socioeconomic and regional lines, sharing of information, prevention and education programs, research into the virus and exploration of treatment options, as well as ethical dialogues on the questions of testing, employment, legal and insurance status are expanding to meet the crisis. And it is a crisis.

Current estimates put the numbers of HIV-infected people at 10 million worldwide (estimates say 30 million by 2000), 1-1 1/2 million in the U.S. and an increase of 25% between 1990-91 in Connecticut.

In the U.S., one person is thought to become infected every thirteen minutes. It is now known that approximately 75% of those who test positive for HIV will develop AIDS within 6-8 years. Once identified with AIDS, most will die within 1 1/2 - 2 years, despite advances in treatment.

Although testing for HIV an-

tibodies, monitoring of the immune system, screening of blood for transfusions, and anti-viral and immune system modulators have been much improved over the past six years, the infection rate continues to rise and the disease continues to be almost always fatal.

The lethal nature of HIV, its ability to mutate and produce different strains, of which at least five have been identified, has become apparent and a successful vaccine is still a distant hope.

Within this context, a phenomenon known as "slow-tracking" appears particularly reprehensible.

The process by which promising drugs gain FDA approval is still a lengthy one. A contributing factor has been noted to be "slow-tracking" - the withholding of research on promising drugs, by drug companies, until "use patents" and consequent potential profit are secured.

Equally unconscionable, in my opinion, is the frequent delay in treatment of HIV-positive patients who are at the mercy of often arbitrary, inflexible insurance guidelines for covering treatment.

We have also begun to see dramatic changes in which groups are identified as "high-risk."

While IV drug abusers continue as a high-risk group, numbers of male homosexuals and bisexuals infected with HIV are declining.

Currently, the highest-risk group is thought to be 20-30 year old heterosexuals. Within this population the numbers of HIV-positive college students are rising dramatically. Other fast-growing groups are minority women and babies born to HIV-positive mothers.

Consequent to the identification of these groups, massive educational programs are being instituted to target our fast-growing population of people at risk - teenagers. The distribution of free condoms and sterile needles, along with education and counseling, are important aspects of a much-needed and overdue prevention program.

Unfortunately, the most marginalized groups in our society - the urban poor and minorities, who currently make up the vast majority of people with AIDS, continue to have limited access to decent health care, prevention programs and support systems.

While the quest for vaccines and cures barrels forward, people living with AIDS are too often

shunted aside. Treatment options and decisions are often made in a vacuum of medical, social and spiritual support. And those, who for much of their lives have been least able to cope, find themselves isolated and abandoned, thrown back into their environment of high-risk behaviors which originally led to their infection. For AIDS is a disease of behavior.

While there continues to be a shameful lack of support systems for those currently battling their disease, a vast network of school, church, community and media sponsored programs has thankfully emerged to teach prevention and protection to the first generation to grow up during the "AIDS era" - our children.

One note of caution - I have recently been dismayed to learn that far too many of these children are growing up equating sex with death. We need to approach this delicate issue with a great deal of care and consideration. We must teach our children the facts about HIV and AIDS, ways to prevent infection and protect themselves, while continuing to encourage in them a positive sense of their own sexuality.

Animal rights forum on campus highly unpublicized

By Chris Bruzinski
Contributing Writer

There are many subjects which spark controversy among people and divide them into two groups. And the essential requirement in education and in taking sides in a controversy is awareness.

One topic recently addressed at the university has raised some concerns on whether it attempted to escape controversy by preventing the majority at Sacred Heart from being aware. The topic is animal experimentation.

Recently, a forum took place here at Sacred Heart that embraced this very sensitive topic and was promoted in a way rather unusual from the rest of the events here.

An organization called SMART (Science and Mathematics Area Resource Teacher Center) in cooperation with PROJECT SMARTNET, nationally funded project between Sacred Heart and Fairfield Public schools and CURE (Connecticut United for Research Excellence), Inc. gathered in the Shine Auditorium and addressed many issues relevant to animal research such as proper research techniques, adherence to guidelines when conducting animal research and what animals can be used for what experiments.

It should be clear that the issue presented here is not based on whether animal research is right or wrong, as we make no attempt in addressing that issue, but rather, the apparent secrecy in which this forum was planned and conducted.

Attendance at the forum could be secured only by pre-registering by mail with a ticket inside the brochure that was selectively distributed by SMART and SMARTNET. Dr. Babu George, who is chairman of the faculty of

science, math and computer science, stated that pamphlets containing the pre-register ticket were distributed to every faculty mailbox at Sacred Heart.

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That was the extent of advertising at Sacred Heart with the reason being, as Dr. George said: "We wanted to know who was going to be there." Unlike the widely publicized recent events on campus like the forum on homophobia, or the mock rape trial, both of which are very sensitive issues as well, this forum was not promoted on the same scale. No signs were present in the hall because Dr. George said the forum was aimed at teachers and not students.

A rumor has it that there was Fairfield Police security outside, including undercover police inside. When asked about this, Dr. George declined to comment.

But, two members of Sacred Heart's workshop skills center, Linda Greene and Jeanne Galog, attended the forum unregistered - not with intent on entering or staging a protest, but to distribute

animal rights pamphlets outside the entrance.

The two ladies found out about the forum about a week before from one of the programs given to them by a fellow faculty member and, detecting a secrecy uncommon to Sacred Heart, thought it important to provide a second side.

Ms. Greene, who is not a member of an animal rights organization, said that Mrs. Galog and herself wanted to be there because, as Greene said, she was "very concerned about both sides of a very controversial issue being presented." Mrs. Galog, who is a member of PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals), a nation wide organization, agreed, and both emphasized, that their presence outside the forum was founded on peaceful grounds with no intent other than offering materials that pointed out the other side of this highly controversial issue.

Actual notes of the forum, containing whole sections of quotes and detailed summaries of speakers their backgrounds and what they had to present were leaked out by an anonymous source.

Immediately upon looking at these notes, it was clear that the forum was attended by many highly educated and experienced professionals in the field of science. It is stated in these acquired notes that Dr. George wanted no mention of animal ethics, reasoning they were too volatile an issue. According to these notes, his request was mainly abided by and these issues discussed varied from animal care to the researching of cancer and aids with animals.

Deborah Runkel, the senior program associate at the American Association for the Advancement

of Sciences, turned her attention toward ethics of animal research after speaking of improving elementary science instruction. The note said that teachers and researchers had a moral duty to teach and heal using animals.

She also spoke about what she said were the myths, half truths, and lies that animal rights were perpetuating versus the facts that animal research was a valuable tool in advancing the health and welfare of humans. The remainder of her speech targeted animal rights groups as being destructive to the educational system by providing students legal grounds for refusal to participate in dissections.

After mention of other CURE materials, either given out or talked about, including a video tape called PAWS, which shows some guidelines relevant to animal

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research. When interviewed, Dr. George pointed out that, "We should follow federal and state guidelines when we are doing animal research."

Currently, dissection is the

extent of work on animals at Sacred Heart, and Dr. George stated that he has no interest in live animal experimentation at this time.

He commented on animal activist groups and animal experimentation, saying, "Animal rights movements do some good because it made the issue in the forefront, but, at the same time, I'd rather see research be done on animals than humans; I don't equate animals with humans."

Dr. George said the forum was not funded by Sacred Heart, so, finances are not the issue. The forum not being open to student is also not the issue.

The issue is the importance of understanding what is happening at the university so that a student and the worker disagreeing with the university, hosting a forum of this nature, could write a letter saying so. Members do want to know what their university is being used for, whether or not they can attend.

When asked if there would be future forums at the university that would be open, Dr. George emphasized that the forum was for teachers. The concerns raised are founded on the grounds that the forums seems to have been conducted in a secretive manner. Ms. Greene put the whole issue in perspective when she stated, "Animal research is a highly controversial topic and one that provokes emotional response from both those in favor and opposed to its use."

"I think it best serves the purpose of a university when dealing with such controversial subject matter to present forums that are open to all and that present both sides of the issue in question. Sacred Heart University has always been committed to an open exchange of ideas; I hope to see that tradition continue."

Coach Bike leaves AD job for full-time coaching

By Jennifer Madonia
News Writer

Dave Bike is truly a Sacred Heart legacy. In 1969 he graduated from SHU with a degree in mathematics. He returned to us in the fall of 1978, and taught remedial math. For the last fourteen years, he has held the positions of Director of Athletics and Head Basketball Coach. He is married to a 1968 SHU graduate. He has four children, and his oldest daughter will soon be a Sacred Heart graduate too.

On April 10, Jim Barquinero released a letter to the University Community regarding the split of the dual position of Director of Athletics and Head Coach of Men's Basketball. The formality of the decision was made by Bike just recently, but Barquinero said "its been on the table for about two years," when SHU increased its sports program from eight teams to eleven.

After careful consideration, Dave Bike choose the coaching position. He commented that if he were a few years older he might have taken the other position, and that people see more security in the administrative end of sports. He said, "I still want to coach, it's still in my blood, I can't just turn it off. At this stage I'm not ready to give up coaching." People see the loss of a directorship title as a negative

thing. Prestige is not important for Bike, he wants to be happy doing his job, and he is happy coaching at Sacred Heart.

As a result of this decision, there is a National Search for a new Director of Athletics. This is an exciting time at Sacred Heart, as the athletic program is becoming more broad based. In comparison to the

national trend, SHU is adding as opposed to dropping sports programs. For this reason, Bike feels that a number of applicants will apply for the position.

Dr. Lyddy is heading the search committee. Bike is not on the committee, but someone from his department is. He feels that it is an advantage to have coached before being an Athletic Director,

but that it is not necessary, and that much depends on where the administration wants the individual's expertise.

The recruiting of quality student athletes, and molding people with potential to get the most out of their ability, are important challenges for Bike. He believes that they could have done better this year, and that they didn't

over achieve this season. The season record was ten wins and eighteen losses; Bike's coaching record is 282 - 145.

Bike says his coaching hasn't changed much over the years. He sticks to the basics, believes in fundamentals, and tries to keep the game simple. SHU hopes to have an Athletic Director on campus by July 1, 1992.



After giving it some careful thought, Director of Athletics and Head Coach of the men's basketball team for the past 14 years, Dave Bike, will be stepping down to devote himself full-time to the basketball program.

Photo by Michael Champagne

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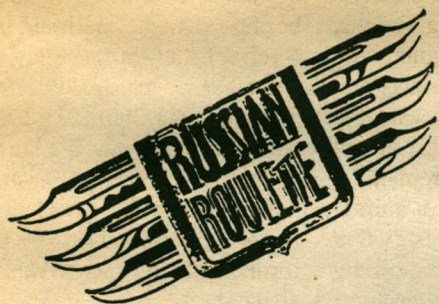
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Kathy Swenson: ready for the real world

By Kathy Bothos and
Kelly Phillips
Features Editors

For graduating seniors like Kathy Swenson, May 16th 1992 marks the end of many years of preparation for the real world, and the beginning of the actual working world itself.

After four years as a student at Sacred Heart University, 21-year-old Kathy Swenson, besides making quite a name for herself at the university, has also developed some valuable friendships along the way.

In exactly twenty-three days, she will be receiving a diploma from the university which has helped her to grow both socially and academically, and with the skills that SHU has taught her, Kathy will continue on, leaving behind some great memories and an active and complete school record.

A Trumbull resident, Kathy commutes to SHU each day to fulfill her hectic schedule of events, attend classes, and have fun too. Besides being President of the Student Class and President of Beta Delphi Phi Sorority, Kathy has served as an orientation leader, was active in Student Government, was selected for the new committee to look for a new Dean of Students, commencement activity, and serves her work study in the Activities office.

Although Kathy's schedule is a busy one now, she remembers her high school schedule way back to 1988 (at Trumbull High) consisting of only one activity. "Col-

lege is so much different from high school. In high school, you've got all those cliques and the interest in becoming active around school isn't there," she says. "At Sacred Heart, everyone tries to get you so involved. Professors, administration, faculty -- they're always encouraging you to get involved and it's more open to express yourself."

From all the encouragement she got as a freshman, Kathy learned the importance and the fun of getting involved within the college community and spread herself around. Although there were many influential people who helped to shape Kathy into the bright and enthusiastic person that she is, one person in particular Kathy looks up to and admires greatly is Dr. Lawrence Weinstein. Being a business major and having taken three of Dr. Weinstein's classes, Kathy found that he was more than just a professor, but a friend as well, who was more open to everything and was greatly influential in Kathy's life. She credits Weinstein in helping her to succeed in college.

As President of the class, Kathy has worked on several fundraisers such as sponsoring flea markets, a baseball card show, and various other events. One of the fundraisers that Kathy was excited about was the Patrick Lynch fund in which \$2000 was raised. (Patrick is a 14-year-old boy who was hit by a car and hospitalized).

She is also trying to raise money for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation in honor of John Ratzemberger's (Cliff on Cheers)

Don't look back.



Flashing a winning smile is senior Kathy Swenson, who we caught between classes in the North Wing.

Photo by Michael Champagne

son who has Juvenile Diabetes. Ratzemberger will be the commencement speaker at Graduation on May 12th. "We're trying to make the class of '92 stand out so we can say, 'This is what we contributed to Sacred Heart.' And it's an important matter that personally makes me feel good to know that I've helped out in some way."

Probably her favorite activity

has been the raising funds for the different charities, Kathy admits. "It was fun. I had all my friends around, and good came out of it. It's great when you can have fun and at the same time help someone."

As for graduation, Kathy is looking forward to it. "You learn something everyday. I've learned a lot from SHU and I'm going to

miss it, but the school is changing. I want to move on, become independent, and support myself. It's time to move on. And I can't wait."

Future plans for Kathy hopefully lay in the field of her major - business management, ideally hotel management. After graduation, it's only a matter of searching for a good job (which will pay for her M.B.A.) and with an open mind, she will leave it at that.

Kathy's advice to all undergrads is to get involved, make the most of your college years, and the "more you put in, the more you get out."

She also hopes to see a lot of people get involved in Senior week this year. Senior Guidebooks will be distributed of the Week's events. And on a last note, Kathy adds, "I want to thank all the class officers, seniors, all students and everyone who has made our last year a more memorable experience."

One person who has made Kathy's time at SHU more memorable is good friend Todd Ross, Student Government President Elect.

According to Todd, "When it comes to commitment, Kathy Swenson is one of the most committed individuals SHU has. I've gotten to know Kathy during the last three years and she's gotten to be a close friend of mine. And when she leaves, SHU will lose one of its most committed and outspoken students it has. I'd like to wish Kathy the best of luck in whatever she pursues and I will truly miss her when she's gone."

Plethora of events planned by UJAMMA

By Kelly Phillips and
Kathy Bothos
Features Editors

Jackee Howell, a business management major at SHU, has been the President of UJAMMA since October 1991. UJAMMA is having re-elections on April 3rd, but Jackee has decided to end her presidency.

She will still be an active member of UJAMMA. The officers of this club include: Carletta Brown-Vice-President, Lloyd Richards-General Secretary, and Marie Morantus-Treasurer.

The UJAMMA club also has various committees. There's approximately thirty members, some are active and some are inactive. Jackee states, "The club members may not attend the meetings every Tuesday, but they still partake in UJAMMA's events, they're always aware of them."

Her responsibilities as president of UJAMMA consists of making sure everything goes right, organizing the meeting, planning activities pertaining to the university and community, in which she tries to render service, promote diversity on campus and

raise funds for the club.

UJAMMA has participated in many activities during this semester such as the multicultural fair where UJAMMA joined forces with the International, La Hispanidad, Caribbean and Irish clubs.

February 1st, UJAMMA presented a fashion show which proved to be successful and on February 8th, they also presented a Gospel Concert. During Black History Month, UJAMMA had an event planned for everyday such as guest speakers and presentation of films that pertained to Black History.

Upcoming events sponsored by the UJAMMA club include: a bake sale bash, and a semi-formal banquet to end the year where active club members will be presented with certificates of appreciation to thank them for everything they've done to help the club. They're also going to invite the advisors of the UJAMMA club which include Alvin Clinskales and Donna Brooks.

The club consists of a different cultures. "Most people think or have the impression that our club is only Jamaican, but we have a variety such as Liberians students, Bahamas and Haiti. We're a very close-knit club," remarked Howell. Now, more ac-

tive the UJAMMA club is receiving more recognition as they begin to open up and become involved with other clubs.

Although the clubs didn't take any trips this semester, UJAMMA is planning a trip to Great Adventure or a Broadway play in New York this summer because they keep in touch over vacation.

UJAMMA is involved in many community service projects. In April, there are many food drives planned. In conjunction with Campus Ministry, they try to collect clothes and other items for the needy. Jackee stated, "We try to collect everything we can to help the poor. UJAMMA tries to help the community as much as possible."

UJAMMA welcomes any Sacred Heart students to join. Jackee emphasized, "I would like people to know that it's not a black thing, although most members are black, we have to get assimilated with our own culture first before we can go out and get other people to join the club. People shouldn't be intimidated by the majority."

Jackee would like to thank all the officers for supporting her and all the members for the past year. "Even though I will not run for president, I'll be there to support for UJAMMA."

Club Happenings

Italian Club

The Italian Club is sponsoring a bus trip to Boston on Wednesday, May 6. The bus will be leaving from the library parking lot at 8 a.m. You can visit shops, Cheers, Hard Rock Cafe, the Public Gardens and more. The bus will leave Boston promptly at 6 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$15 for club members and \$20 for non-members. Forty-seven seats are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. All money is due by April 27.

For more information contact Lisa DeCesare.

WWPT

The all student run radio station, WWPT 90.3fm is planning a concert on April 30, at 7pm. All proceeds will go to benefit the station and help with their expenses. Scheduled to play are Connecticut bands Turtle Head, Those Melvins, Lord Have Mercy, and Russian Roulette and from New York Funk Face.

The five bands appearing will take the Sacred Heart University Theatre stage at 7pm and each band will play for about an hour. Funk Face, Turtle Head, and Lord Have Mercy play a heavy mix funk while Russian Roulette screams out their brand of music tinged with classic rock. For those into progressive sounds the Ct. based, Those Melvins who currently hold the top two albums by local bands in the state will take the stage.

The concert will be emceed by WWPT dj's Davin Goldstein and Christian Olguin.

The cost of the show is \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door. Tickets can be charged by calling the SHU box office at 374-2777 or by stopping in Graf Wadman Records in the Trumbull Shopping Park, or at Utopia on Connecticut Ave. in Norwalk.

Dr. Reid and students visit Canadian Indians

By Kathy Bothos and
Kelly Phillips
Features Editors

Most of the stereotypical views held by society are given to us by TV and movies. Some old western movies seem to portray Indians as the "bad guys." Like Kevin Costner finding out what Indian life is really like in the movie *Dances With Wolves*, Dr. Gerald Reid, a Sacred Heart Anthropology professor and five of his students from a North American Indian course recently had the opportunity to see first hand what it was like to live on a real Indian Reservation for four days.

Dr. Reid commented, "This trip to the Mohawk reservation is beneficial because it lets the students explore a different culture."

Reid, who has done a lot of research over the past few years in a Mohawk community near Montreal, Quebec, called Kahnawake, asked for students who were interested in the field trip to Canada from April 11 to 14 to participate. Among those who accompanied Reid were students Lisette Gonzales, Laurie Conroy, Charles Biney, Sean Malin, and Sonia Mikolic-Torreira.

Traditionally occupying the Mohawk River Valley in up-state New York, the Mohawk people converted to Christianity in the early 16th century and as part of a Jesuit mission, they migrated north to be closer to the fur trade.



Visitors to a Canadian Mohawk reservation are Dr. Gerald Reid, Lisette Gonzales, Sonja Mikolic-Torreira, Charles Biney and Laurie Conroy. The trip, which took place last weekend, was part of Dr. Reid's North American Indian course. Missing from photo is Sean Malin.

Photo by Michael Champagne

Now situated on the St. Lawrence River, Kahnawake overlooks the Lasheen Rapids. Although most Indian reservations are remote and isolated, Kahnawake is a different kind of place surrounded by Canadian communities, separated by a tunnel. "The reservation was bigger than expected. It wasn't stereotypical like you see on film," stated Charles Biney.

As tourists drive through the reservation, it is clear that the community is densely settled. Though the population fluctuates,

on average there are approximately four-five thousand natives. A suburban community, Kahnawake has a cultural center consisting of a radio station, radio bingo, and a museum.

"When we arrived there, they were having a social in a traditional long house and what was unusual was men and women had to enter the long house through different doors," stated Laurie Conroy. Despite what myths are believed about Indian tribes, Kahnawake Indians enjoy the typical activities such as playing lacrosse which is

the most popular sport and canoeing, which they appear to be very competitive in.

"They weren't all that different from me, they wear designer clothes and they go off the reservation to the mall," stated Laurie.

As the Mohawk language began to die out, a 1976 Bill passed the French language law. At the Height of the Movement, the Mohawks were treated as immigrants in Quebec, but two years later they developed their own survival school, which was

converted from a farmhouse. The two elementary school on the reservation consist of culturally enriched curriculum of Mohawk history, geography, and language. There is an emphasis in maintaining the culture.

The group stayed with a Mohawk woman named Rosie for the entire trip. Lisette Gonzales remarked about their way of life, "There's a strong sense of community. They do everything together. Rosie use to have people all over her house all the time." According to the group, Rosie showed the students a great amount of hospitality during their stay.

In the reservation, there were check points where they were stopped by the Mohawk Warriors (the police) and asked where they were going. According to Sean Malin, "We saw one man who was very heavily armed. He was part of the Mohawk Warriors. We couldn't believe the weapons he was carrying." Despite their disputes over their native land with the Canadian government, their determination to keep what was rightfully theirs is still strong. Says Laurie, "Basically all they want is to be left on their land to do their own thing."

The group delighted with their stay at Kahnawake and enjoyed the opportunity to meet this interesting group of people. "This trip was a great learning experience. We had the chance to see how a modern day Indian Community looked like and how they're dealing with their present status," stated Sonia.

Common Sense

By J. Broad
Columnist

Dear J.:

I am presently unsatisfied with my love life, if you can call it that. I want to meet more men, but I lack the confidence to approach possible new interests. Everyone says that I have a great personality and am fun to be with, but how do I show guys that I am interested in them? — *Shy, but gorgeous*

Dear S.B.G.:

I have trouble believing you when you say you have a confidence problem and then you sign your letter "Shy, but gorgeous." Your problem is just plain fear: fear of rejection, fear of making a fool out of yourself, whatever. My advice is: stop worrying. You've identified your good points: "gorgeous, fun to be with, great personality," so what's not to like? On top of all that, you're considering making the first move!!! A man would be a fool to let such an opportunity slip away. I know quite a number of shy, "nice" guys who would be thrilled to have a girl make the first move. Just give it a shot and I'm sure you can get any guy you choose.

I have a problem with the phrase "...meet more men..." in your letter. Why do you need to

meet more men? Don't you already know some? What's wrong with them? If you are everything you claim to be, there's got to be a guy you hang around with who is completely enraptured by you and too terrified to speak up. It may help you with your "fear" if you are dealing with someone you already trust and feel comfortable with.

Okay, enough with the sermon. To paraphrase a good friend of mine: don't let fear prevent you from possible happiness. Anybody who can't recognize your good points and who doesn't appreciate the guts you display by approaching them is not worth your time. Good luck.

Dear J.:

I am currently involved with someone who goes to a university in another state. We have a secure relationship, but I get scared that I'll lose him because we don't see each other very often. How can I tell him my fears without crowding him? — *Terribly Insecure*

Dear Terribly Insecure:

Your letter was far too short. I don't know how long you've been seeing him, whether you started seeing him before or after he went away to school, or whether the two of you discussed his leaving. You don't give me much

to go on, but I'll try to help you anyway — because I've been there.

I guess I don't have to tell you

Insecurity is a pointless emotion. If you have something to be insecure about (meaning that the person really doesn't feel the same way you do) then the person is not worth the time you waste worrying about them. If you don't have a valid reason for your insecurity, then you are looking for trouble where there is none. Either way, insecurity is a wasted emotion.

how tough long distance relationships are, but at some point you were faced with a choice of whether to have this long distance love affair, and you chose to try it. Now you just have to trust your judgement and his.

It's very easy to feel secure when you see each other all the time, but when the other person is

away, little nagging doubts can creep in. I don't think you should worry about crowding him. If he cares for you as much as you care for him, he's probably experiencing the same feelings of fear that you are. I think it will reassure both of you to know that the feelings are the same at both ends.

Let me give you some advice that my sister once gave to me. She said, "Insecurity is a pointless emotion. If you have something to be insecure about (meaning that the person really doesn't feel the same way you do) then the person is not worth the time you waste worrying about them. If you don't have a valid reason for your insecurity, then you are looking for trouble where there is none. Either way, insecurity is a wasted emotion."

The point is this: worrying about your situation isn't going to make you more secure. The only things that will make you more secure are: 1) trust, 2) keeping the lines of communication open, and 3) more trust. If you tell me that you trust him, but it's everybody else you don't trust, you're kidding yourself. If you can't trust him, don't date him.

Dear Readers:

As many of you may remember, I started this column with the intention of just getting it

going, and then I was going to pass it on to somebody else. Well, that time has come. Two young ladies (who, as of the time of this writing, I have yet to meet) will be taking over this column, effective next semester.

My critics (not to mention my friends) have been quick to point out the irony in the fact that I consider myself qualified to give other people advice on their relationships, despite the fact that most of my relationships have been nearly complete disasters. The fact that I have been unhappily single for nearly three months now has also called my qualifications for writing this column into serious question. My only response to this is: "Those who can, do — those who can't, teach."

In any event, I hope that my sometimes oblique and always slightly pessimistic opinions and advice have helped some people — or at the very least, made them think or see a different perspective. I got a lot out of writing this column, and if only one person got something out of reading it, then I can feel I've accomplished something.

Thank you to all who wrote and commented. Your encouragement and support were greatly appreciated. I hope you will show the same enthusiasm to the next writers of this column. — **The Single Cynic**

Eddie Money leaves behind the hits in new acoustic show

By Chris Nicholson and Frank Mastroianni

LIVE MUSIC

For the hard-core Eddie Money fans, and for fans of good, well-played music, last Friday night's Eddie Money acoustic concert at The Sting in New Britain was an event not to be missed. However, if you're the kind of person who goes to a concert only to hear your favorite top-40 hits, then it was a show worth missing.

Bringing over 15 years of musical experience, which included stints as supporting act to The Rolling Stones and Cheap Trick and several hit albums, Money more than deserved his graduation to headlining his own shows in the mid-1980s.

Money performed few of his big hits. There was no "Shakin'," no "Peace in our Time," no "Walk on Water," no "Think I'm in Love," no "Endless Nights," no "Heaven in the Back Seat," and no

"Take Me Home Tonight." These were most of Money's biggest hits, and he left them out of the show.

However, the songs he did perform were top-notch. Supporting a stocky physique, Money sang comfortably from a stool in the center of a tightly packaged four-piece band.

Money (born Edward Mahoney) opened the all-acoustic show with a track off his 1980 LP, *Playing for Keeps*. He continued by performing his revival of the Smokey Robinson classic "You've Really Got a Hold on Me," and by Money's third song, "Another Nice Day in L. A.," the most recent track from his new CD, *Right Here*, it was apparent that he was very comfortable in this concert setting.

The show continued with "I'll Be There" and "So Good to be in Love Again." The evening's first real sing-along began as Money reminisced with "I Wanna Go

Back," his top-15 smash from 1987.

With the crowd at its most enthusiastic point so far, Money chose to slow down the pace with his most recent hit, a ballad titled "I'll Get By." Now on a comfortable roll, Money temporarily chose to continue sampling his list of hits by performing "Baby, Hold On," his breakthrough single from the spring of 1978.

The power and precision that these three songs packed proved to be the emotional high-point of the concert, for, to the non-hard-core fans, the rest was downhill as Money set forth on a long string of virtually unknown songs.

Again choosing to alter the concert's pace, Money then performed the reggae-flavored "Don't Come Running Back" as a tribute to reggae bands like Bob Marley and the Wailers that influenced him back in the days when he was a vocalist on the San Francisco bar circuit.



Throughout the entire evening, Money spoke often and well of his wife. This remained

the case throughout "Fall in Love Again," his current single off *Right Here*, and "She Takes My Breath Away," Money's self-described best record.

After his "last song for the night," Money came back out for the traditional encore with a paralyzing performance of "Two Tickets to Paradise" and "No Control."

Money then ended the show with a song about friendship, dedicated to his fans and to a good friend who helped him through a rough period five years ago when he almost quit the music business.

The encore provided a powerful climax to the concert, but most of the crowd was still waiting to hear all their Eddie Money favorites. Although a good number of fans may have been disappointed, Money did not rely on the merits of his old hits. Instead, he experimented and therefore proved he was not exploiting his past, but ensuring his future.

"Sugar" is really sweet, but "Blondes" are lots more fun



By Tom Donato
A & E Writer

The first single from Concrete Blonde's new CD *Walking In London*, "Ghost of a Texas Ladies Man," begins like "Walkin' On Sunshine" by Katrina and The Waves. Look past that fact. "You don't scare me, you don't scare me, I cried/To my ectoplasmic lover from the other side," howls lead singer Johnette Napolitano. In my opinion, this woman has the most haunting voice this side of the equator. This song, through extremely clever lyrics, basically describes her run-in with, well, a dead guy. The next song, "Walking In London" drags along at a slow pace but Napolitano's strong vocals carry this otherwise

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average song. Trimming it to under four minutes might have been a good idea too. The most experimental song on the album is "Les Coeurs Jumeaux." The group attempts a different sound from their usual dark, dismal one, and it's beautiful to listen to. Half sung in English, and half in French, it's very enticing.

Other standouts include: "Why Don't You See Me?," which is almost a ballad. You can digest this song on one of two levels—their usual spiritual level, or take it as the view of a jilted lover. It makes sense either way. "City Screaming" begins like a Go-Go's song but that resemblance comes to a screeching halt when the lyrics begin. Johnette Napolitano is about as far away from Belinda Carlisle as you can get. This is one song where James Mankey's guitar playing gets a chance to shine. He's not bad, you know.

The group aims for Top 40 radio with "Someday?," another semi-ballad. Napolitano eases up on her powerful vocals for this one and the resulting lighter sound is one she should explore more often. It's a simple song, but memorable. Maybe this song can get them on the charts, like last year's "Joey."

My personal favorite is "I Wanna Be Your Friend Again." This concerns a woman who is obsessed with an ex, but can't deal with it, and won't admit it to herself. There are two voices in this song, Johnette's actual voice, and her conscience talking. This is really a funny song. It's basically the same riff over and over, but the lyrics make this one. Napolitano wrote it herself, as well as every other song on the album, except for James Brown's "It's A Man's World." It's OK, but their original stuff is much better.

Overall, this album doesn't stray far from the formula established on their previous efforts, but nevertheless it's a good album, that old fans and new ones should enjoy.

The Sugarcubes are back with *Stick Around For Joy*. When it

comes down to it, however, this album is fun to listen to, but not particularly inventive. The first cut, "Gold," which seems to be simply about wanting a piece of the metal, is just there. There's really nothing special about it at all. If there's another, underlying meaning, someone please steer me in that direction, because I don't see it.

The most impressive song is "Hit," which actually will probably be their first pop hit. This is a dance song with all the needed elements. It has a great beat, lyrics about love, and a rap in the middle. It's not really a change from the recent dance hits with the same formula, but as my colleague Daniela would say, "It's just so damn catchy."

Another "cute" song is "Leash Called Love." This one's about opposites. "You love him/You want to make him happy/He loves you/He wants to humiliate you." The "main character" is so in love she doesn't realize her significant other is using her. Get it? She's on a "Leash Called Love." Wow.

"Hetero Scum" sounds like it would be some sort of gay rights song, but to me it sounds like Bjork (they're from Iceland), the lead singer is just saying, "talking again in German" repeatedly. Go figure. I can't really comment on this song if I can't understand a word of it, so I won't.

Yes, the Sugarcubes also dabble in controversy. In "Lucky Night," Bjork sings about how excited she gets when she does "two things at once." My goodness, could that be sexually suggestive??? Actually, this song is pretty dancable and I think that's all the crew from Iceland wanted to accomplish on this one. You really don't hear much progressive/alternative music being described as "fluff," but that's what this is. Die-hard fans will love it, but others will most likely think it's "ummmm... OK, I guess." Hopefully, they will steer clear of fluff for the next album. It can become tiresome. Check out Concrete Blonde though, because it's worth the money.

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Getting Stoned At The Max: The Rolling Stones rock Norwalk

By Michael Champagne
Photo Editor

"I can't get no satisfaction."

So says (sings) Mick Jagger, but having seen the newest Rolling Stones film, *At The Max*, I'm not entirely convinced of it.

Before I get into the movie review, allow me to digress. Last semester, we reviewed an IMAX film called *Blue Planet*. At that time we were told about an as-yet-to-be-released Rolling Stones IMAX film.

Naturally enough, there was much hype and hoopla about the film — particularly since it was the first concert film in the IMAX format, but also the first foray into feature length films. Typically, most IMAX films in the library of more than 74 films are 30-40 minutes in duration and have themes of natural wonder: space exploration, scientific endeavor and intricate nature studies. So *At The Max* is an obvious departure.

At The Max was shot over five nights in July and August 1990 during the final leg of the Rolling Stones monumental Steel Wheels/Urban Jungle world tour. The concert film features 15 classic Rolling Stones songs including "Satisfaction," "Brown Sugar," and "Rock and a Hard Place."

The film also recreates the excitement enjoyed by huge stadium audiences, at times putting the viewer on stage with the band, at times leaving you gazing across a sea of bodies writhing and



In a scene from *At The Max*, the first IMAX concert film, Keith Richards performs during the 1990 Rolling Stones European tour. *At The Max* captures the excitement of the live concert and puts you on the stage with the Rolling Stones.

Photo by Gianni Giansanti

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cheering. If you've ever been to a stadium show before, you know the magnitude of the crowd, and if your seats at your stadium show were as bad as mine were for the Stones when I saw them live, you're that much more familiar with that magnitude.

When I caught the band at Shea Stadium, their stage was set up in center field facing the infield area. Our seats were in the uppermost deck behind home plate, so the band looked like midgets running around on a huge

built-for-midgets stage, surrounded by tens of thousands of other midgets.

From our perch standing on the top of the world (Shea), we enjoyed the show as best we could but the sound was muddy and the video screens which were set up for our "viewing pleasure" had about as much clarity as the Los Angeles skyline.

So, when I was afforded the opportunity to see the show again at the IMAX Theater at the Norwalk Maritime Center, I jumped (like a jumping-jack flash) on it.

We arrived after the film had started due to poor weather and road conditions, so I can't comment on the first twenty minutes or so, but what we did see was truly an impressive display. The concert(s) was (were) filmed from at least a dozen different camera angles and the film spliced them all into one seamless roll.

Also, the sound was captured right off the mix board (and

probably remixed especially for the film and the IMAX surroundings) so the sound quality was top-notch. During some of the longer intervals between songs when the crowd had quieted, you could hear individual conversations seemingly all around you as if you were a part of the crowd.

One potential problem that never materialized, is the fact that in the IMAX setting, the video and audio tracks are run on separate tapes, but since most - if not all - of the films are narrated "nature films" (if you'll pardon the expression) it doesn't matter if the audio is one or two seconds off. But in *At The Max* the sound and video had to be perfectly "in synch" or it would have looked like every bad Japanese monster film ever created: the hero speaks, the hero stops moving his lips, but the sound continues. (Yes, I know that the reason for that is because of the differences in language and

translation, but you get the picture, right?)

The only complaints I had with the production were the band itself. Mick strutted and pranced around the stage like a queen all night long and the sometimes great, sometimes lame Keith Richards was his typical sometimes great, sometimes lame self. At times, Richards displayed such a deftness with the guitar that it was eerie, as if he had been born with it. But Richards also took some solos and just hacked them into tiny indistinguishable pieces, like a football player trying to perform delicate brain surgery.

The Steel Wheels set, designed as an "industrial wasteland" was the biggest rock and roll stage to ever hit the road. The tour utilized more than 200 personnel, 65 trucks and a stage set so large, federal law required airport collision lights on the highest points. It was more than most of the band was able to utilize, but that was clearly part of the message that was being conveyed.

All in all, I would say, that if you like the Rolling Stones, this film is a must see. If you are uncommitted about them, you might want to see these consummate showmen and maybe it will sway you towards them. If you don't like the Stones, this film probably won't change your mind, and lest you are frightened at the prospect of seeing Mick Jagger's lips projected on a screen six stories high by eight stories wide, fret not. It doesn't happen.

At The Max is showing at the Maritime Center in Norwalk on Friday and Saturday at 4, 7, and 9:30 p.m. through April 26. From April 27 - June 21, show times will be: Fridays at 5, 7, and 9:30 p.m., Saturdays at 4, 7, and 9:30 p.m., and on Sundays at 4 p.m. Special group rates for students apply for all shows. Call the Maritime Center at 852-0700 for directions or more information.

Peter, Paul, and Mary and Puff

By Frank Mastroianni
News Editor

Peter, Paul and Mary recently ended their year-long tour with a two-night stand at Stamford's Center for the Arts.

Touring in celebration of their 30 years together and to promoting Folk music in general, Stamford, by the groups own admission has become one of their favorite places to perform.

For the past 30 years, Peter Yarrow, Noel "Paul" Stookey, and Mary Travers have united thousands of people in peace, hope, harmony and love. In this, the second night of their engagement, their was no exception.

PPM have had the ability to bridge generations like no other musical act. The near capacity crowd ranged from children to senior citizens—all equally enjoying themselves.

PPM opened their show with the title track from its 1986 LP called *No Easy Walk To Freedom*. This anthem to anti-apartheidism was just one of the many issues the politically active group sang about.

"Freedom" was followed by the folk classic "The Fox." This song displayed so much of what has kept PPM alive so long. Besides the great three-part harmonies from voices that show no signs of aging, "The Fox" displayed what makes PPM so damn entertaining. Peter and Paul preceded to amuse us with their unique display of vocal sound effects.

After making us laugh, their concert continued by addressing further issues of social concern.

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The Woody Guthrie penned "Pastures of Plenty" represents PPM's ode to America's migrant farmers.

Easing the seriousness of the moment, "Puff the Magic Dragon" was performed next. As Peter Yarrow has numerous explained, most groups perform their biggest hit late in the performance. We can't do that, we've discovered that most of the children in attendance are asleep by the end.

"Puff" started the evening's first real sing-along, bringing as wide a smile to the adults as to the children.

PPM continued their show by performing an African song in which they reminded us that "yes there was African music before Paul Simon found it." Their group satirizing continued after "Where Have All The Flowers Gone?" was performed as they pondered "Where have all the Democrats gone?" This was one of many jabs at the recent Republican run administrations. PPM concluded the set with their top 20 hit from 1969 "Day is Done."

Following a brief intermission, each member of the trio returned for a solo segment in which they all sang, told stories, and simply entertained.

Peter sang "Lemon Tree," and "We Shall Overcome," followed by Paul's tribute to the underdog called "Rightfield." Mary followed her male companions by bringing her granddaughter on stage, a Stanford tradition, and by

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Coach Pam: *thankful for health, family, friends, and a championship team*

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not broken anything else (shhhh!). Skiing and softball are two of Pam's hobbies. Well, besides managing her energetic four year old Shar-Pei. Yes, it's from China and it's her attack dog. Ok, it's a small, wrinkled dog who isn't very social and can hold her own! Beazley is her name, although members of the softball team do call her other acronyms like, "beastly". Her dog, aside from being anti-social, will never make "The David Letterman Show". "She has learned no tricks, she doesn't do anything," London said. Don't worry Beazley is still loved and maybe she'll even be the Pioneer mascot one day!

Pam loves her dog, her sports and people. There's no doubt about it that Pam is a people person. She is a successful tri-owner of the H.H.H. Cleaning Service and has good relationships with her customers.

On a world-wide scale, Pam is concerned about people's healthcare rights in this country. "No one should be denied the proper healthcare because it is barbaric to let someone go without care," she said with a frustrated look. As a possible solution Pam believes that the United States should look around at more

successful countries such as Canada and learn from them.

London is thankful for much in her life, her health, family and friends. "All the money in the world couldn't buy health. I am blessed with good health and I am very thankful for it," she said.

"Stress!" is not healthy! As a supportive network Pam's family and good friends provide her with a pick me up.

"If I go off on a tangent about something, there always seems to be someone there for me. I guess that makes me very lucky," she said.

Pam considers her strongest personality trait to be the fact that she is trustworthy. Many on the softball team know that Pam is always there for anything- whether it be for extra ground balls or just to talk. "Pam is the type of assistant coach any team would love to have. If you ever need extra help, she's always there to work with you, take it from experience," said Center fielder, Michelle Palmer.

"Pam is an integral part of the SHU softball team," said Head Coach Bippy Luckie. Pam has not received enough recognition for what she has done with this program. Not only is Pam my assistant she also has been one of my best friends for the past eight years," she said.

"Pam is a great motivator who



Assistant Coach of the Lady Pioneer softball team gives some post-game advice to April Ertl

Photo by Michael Champagne

expects nothing less than 100%. She imbeds a great sense of pride in the team as well as the concept of team and team work. She is a great coach who understands that coaching involves roles on and off the field," said Freshman, Amy Romanas.

There are many reasons why Pam is successful in life: personality, friends and family. Pam attributes her success in life to her father. "I didn't realize how much he taught me until he wasn't here to teach me anymore," Pam

said. She realized that, like many of us, you don't know how much you miss something until it's gone.

Pam's father had an important impact in her life. His favorite saying, "Do right by someone and someone will do right for you," is an important model for London.

Pam has taken these lessons into coaching. "Generally you have to love playing the game and that love has to come from within. She instills in her players the importance of dedication and sacrifice. She teaches her players

and her players teach her as well, "I have learned that every person is an individual and that everybody has a different level of drive," she said.

"She is very knowledgeable about the game and the girls respect and admire her enthusiasm and dedication," said Luckie.

As London said, "It's important to be able to have players leave you knowing the meaning of what it is to strive for your best and to be proud of the effort that you put into something."

Becky Van Ort: Another nice girl at Sacred Heart University



By Donna Robinson
Business Manager

"Attention please - Mr. Wes Van Ort, your wife just had a baby girl." And so went the announcement that herald in the coming of Pioneer short stop Becky Van Ort. The only differences between Becky's day of birth and the present is Becky's experience with puberty and her father's position as a pitcher.

It seems that Becky has been influenced by her father during most of her life. He used to coach her little league team and still comes to her games with SHU. Becky believes that her dad is where she received her softball skills from. her artistic talents, however, she attributes to her mom. "She's a crafty kind of person," says Becky about her mother. "Both of my parents are great people."

Rather than be a professional

softball player, she decided to utilize her artistic abilities and make art her career. Becky is an illustration major at SHU. She has always liked drawing and enjoys creating realistic pieces of art. "Believe it or not, art is more realistic than photography. Photography is two dimensional where art shows the whole picture!" exclaimed an enthusiastic Becky. "Uh, maybe you have to be an art major to understand." Uh, maybe. Anyhow, the artist in

Becky also reveals itself while she's playing the guitar - electric or acoustic. And, according to her, she's not bad.

A Castleton, New York native, Becky now resides in Black Rock with SHU roommate Renee Melchiona. Becky is not as big of a party animal as Renee. However, there is a wild side to Becky. "I like to scare people. You know, jump out from behind doors and stuff. It's the funniest thing."

People don't seem to mind Becky's teasing. The ambitious Pioneer, whose short term goal is to get a master's degree, has made quite an impression on some people. Michael Champagne believes "she's an extraordinarily nice person."

Lori Bogue, Becky's softball teammate and friend said, "Becky's the kind of friend that, when something needs to get done, she'll stand by you and make sure it gets done. She's not a quitter on the field. She never gives up on a play or on the team and that's probably why I respect her the most as a softball player."

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Baseball undefeated with the help of "Mew Mew"

By Michael Bennett
Sports Writer

The other day when I got out of my afternoon class, I wandered into the baseball locker room, where I found one of this year's captains of the Pioneer Varsity Baseball Team, Bryan Muthersbaugh. Tough last name huh? Besides being elected one of the captains this year as a junior by his teammates, he is also the number two pitcher on the staff for the Pioneers.

I began to talk to him while we indulged in what I thought to be, was some innocent volleying on the Ping Pong table. Yeah right! Between the smashes and his infamous drop-shots, I began to throw a few questions at him.

I asked him what his goals for the team were for this year, and he replied, "Well Benny, it's like this...My freshman year, we were one game away from going to Alabama for the series. And last year as you know, we got knocked-off by UMASS-Lowell. So this year, I'm not just looking to make the regionals, I want us to WIN

them, advance to the series in Alabama, and be victorious there...SMASH!...You're really having a tough time returning my backhand, huh Benny?"

As for his personal goals this year, Brian said that he would like to win the honor of First Team All-NECC, and be able to play in Fenway Park in Boston. He says, "I'd like to see just how I stack-up, if you will."

When I asked him what his forte was on the mound, Muthersbaugh explained, "When I am able to consistently spot my fastball, that would be my number one pitch. This is followed by the curveball and my number three pitch, the illusive Knuckleball." I can tell you from first-hand knowledge, his K-Ball can out dance Fred Astaire.

Muthersbaugh returned from his Spring Trip on a tough-earned high after beating the number six team in the nation, Armstrong State. As of this past Monday, Brian's record was 3-0, with an ERA hovering at around the 3.1 area. When I asked Coach Giaquinto about Brian, he said, "He is a very hard worker and he

understands the dedication it takes to be the best he could be." Giaquinto added, "Brian is also a team player and always gives the team his best each day he is on the field."

This life-long Fairfield resident, who is planning to graduate on time with a BS in Business Management, happens to be pretty tough on the links. He explained that every chance he gets, he spends it on the golf course. He pretty much knocked my socks off when he told me that his best score was a 76. That was the day he won \$20,000 from Greg Norman. That part I found a little tough to swallow.

If you get a chance this season to catch one of the Pioneer's games, look for the smiling kid wearing #31, that would be the man they call "Mew Mew." They call him that for the simple reason being his last name is a real kick-in-the-pants to say.

Oh yeah, if your wondering who won the Ping Pong games which we were playing, you could ask him for he is an honest person as well.

I did! Two games to one!



A junior from Fairfield, Bryan Muthersbaugh holds a record of 4 - 2 after posting an important shut-out against the New Haven Chargers last week. Photo by Michael Champagne

Lax: Victory on the hill

By Diana S. Cutaia
Sports Writer

"An outstanding win", remarked a fan as he returned from the lacrosse field. Our Pioneer stickmen put together an overwhelming effort to pull out a victory over Quinnipiac College, 11-10. The now 1-6 pioneers showed some drastic improvement. Coach Webster Trenchard has stressed to his players the importance of 100% effort every time they step out on the field and that is just what he is receiving.

Their last game against Quinnipiac was one of this season's finest. Pioneer Stickman, Rob Stopkoski stated, "our long stick defense was at its best and our offense was [finally] productive." Productive it was. Seven Pioneers scored in this contest, with Henry Olszewski leading all scores with 3 goals. Let us not forget our goalie Timmy Grey, who netted 11 saves for the game.

The next game proved to be

no different. The determined Heart crew confronted AIC with a vengeance. It was a most suspenseful game, leaving SHU defeated. With the game tied and only 3 seconds left, the stickmen from AIC were able to score. AIC picked off an offensive pass and ran down to score on a fast break.

Then came the University of New Haven. Unfortunately the first half looked like SHU were up to their old tricks again playing catch up, as they found themselves down by 2 goals. New Haven was running a zone offense which seemed to be giving the Pioneers a hard time. They worked the ball around well but were not able to penetrate the goal zone. It was all down hill from there until a brawl erupted at mid-field, after a UNH player illegally hit a SHU player. That seemed to be the slap in the face that the Pioneers needed, as they were able to hold UNH to only 3 more goals.

It seems as though this year seems to one of solidifying the program and Coach Trenchard seems to be doing a great job.

PPM: trio covers folk songs

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singing two songs.

After the solo sets, the trio reunited to revive one hit after another. Besides singing their number one song from 1969 "Leaving On A Jet Plane," PPM also revived their earlier top ten

hits "If I Had A Hammer," and "Blowing In The Wind."

PPM also treated us to a more spiritual reading of the Bob Dylan penned, Turtle classic, "It Ain't Me Babe."

PPM ended their inspiring performance with the traditional but always appropriate "This Land Is Your Land."

Prognostications from a Pioneer

They say all things (good or bad) come to an end. As is the case with the school year, is the end of "Prognostications." Alright, enough of the cheering back there!

Before I start I want to thank a few people for making Prognostications possible. I'd like to thank, in no particular order, my predecessor The Madman, Lori Bogue, the sports editor of the *Spectrum*, who is doing a top notch job by the way, the two editors of this year, Mike Champagne and Phil Trahan, and everyone on the *Spectrum* staff.

You gotta respect the determination the Los Angeles Lakers showed this past weekend. Their only chance to make the playoffs was to beat Portland, the best in the west, and their cross-town rival Clippers, who would like nothing better than to shut the Lakers, a team that has been hogging the publicity in LA for the past decade, out of the playoffs. The Lakers did exactly that. There's no doubt the Lakers would have been better off not making the playoffs and getting the lottery pick, but that's another issue.

Just one stat for Boston and New York fans as we enter the NBA Playoffs. Here is a breakdown of how the Celtics and Knicks fared against Chicago, Cleveland and Detroit,

the three top teams in the east (other than Boston and New York):

Boston: 8 wins, 4 losses

New York: 0 wins, 12 losses

That's right the Knicks failed to beat those three teams even once! A team featuring only one star (Patrick Ewing) is fine against the Orlando's and Minnesota's, but against the top teams, you need balance. If it weren't for Pat Riley, instead of 51-31, the Knicks would have finished below the Nets (40-42), who have much more balance and talent than the Knicks.

One final note, the Celtics won their last eight games without Larry Bird. One could only guess what the Knicks would do without Ewing. (Maybe one or two wins).

In a young season, the Pittsburgh Pirates are proving that pitching and defense wins ballgames. Maybe Jeff Torborg should take heed and get Howard Johnson out of centerfield. He is hurting them out there. While I feel that the Mets (even with that horrible lineup from 6-9) have a better lineup than the Pirates and will have as good of a pitching staff (as soon as Bret Saberhagen and David Cone straighten themselves out), the Pirates defense is much better. One scary stat for Met fans; in Sid Fernandez' last 41 starts, he has only 11 wins to account for (in the last three years). That's less than

three wins per season!

The Toronto Blue Jays brought the Yankees back to reality last week. Listening to WFAN listeners talk about a subway series! Give me a break people. People forget that the Yankees have had winning streaks this long both in 1990 and 1991 and finished horribly. This winning streak just so happened to occur at the start. I'm not saying the Yankees will be as bad as they were the last two years, but hold the World Series tickets!

These next two weeks are going to be key in determining whether the Sacred Heart baseball and softball team reach the NCAA's. What it's going to come down to is what team has the most guts. So far Bryan Muthersbaugh, Jerry Fry, Tim Ward and Don Romeo have shown the most guts for the baseball team, while April Ertl, Renee Melchiona, Maria Cavaliere and Becky Van Ort have shown the most for the softball team. What I mean by "guts" is wanting to win the most, giving the most effort. (If I didn't mention you, don't be insulted, I'm not saying there aren't others, but these individuals have stood out).

Well everyone, have a nice summer and I hope everyone gets the most out of life!

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SHU Women sluggers living on the edge

By Lori Bogue
Sports Editor

The SHU women sluggers ventured out to New Haven to challenge the Southern Owls on Tuesday, April 21. In contrast to the predicted cloudy and unseasonable weather, the Pioneers and Owls set the stage under warm and slightly breezy conditions.

The nice conditions didn't last too long as the SHU sluggers left 10 on base through the game and couldn't capitalize on seven hits. Defensively the Pioneers were flawless and Pitching Ace, April Ertl sweated through seven innings yielding only two hits to the Owls. Defensively the Pioneers had the game in the bag. Offensively the Owls had the clinch hit when it hurt the most and they overpowered the Pioneers 1-0.

In the night cap the Owl's spirits were high until they remained scoreless six consecutive innings and the SHU women got their

confidence back. Shortstop Becky Van Ort got the Sluggers going with a great diving catch in the first inning. In the second inning Van Ort had a repeat performance but this time the play was more tricky. Van Ort made a sprint and then dove to snag a fly ball which was tailing into fowl territory.

Leading offensively for the Pioneers was shooter Ertl who smashed a double, a single and two RBI. South-Paw, Keri O'Donnell went 2 for 2 with a RBI and a sacrifice bunt. Elaine Agosti and Van Ort smashed two hits a piece. Michelle Palmer contributed with a safety. O'Donnell earned the win, increasing to 10-1 while Ertl earned the save and increased to 9-8 and 1 save.

The Pioneer Sluggers are still very much alive in the race to clinch their conference. Running neck and neck with SHU is The University of Bridgeport. Come support your Pioneers at the JCC Thursday at 3:00 for a double header against Springfield College.



Becki Van Ort shadows a Southern Connecticut State University baserunner after a past-ball allowed the runner to advance from second to third base. The Lady Pioneers split the double-header with Southern to up their record to 19 - 9 overall, and 8 - 2 in the NECC. Photo by Michael Champagne

SHU baseball team heads for the home stretch



Pitching for Sacred Heart's men's baseball team, Bryan Muthersbaugh, a junior from Fairfield, is hit by an Assumption College player in a 4-2 loss at Pioneer Field on Tuesday afternoon.

Photo by Michael Champagne

By Rick Feris
Sports Writer

The baseball team faces two possible realities. One they could spend final exam week studying for exams and preparing to head home for the summer, or two, study for exams and prepare for their third consecutive NCAA Regional bid. What the team does in the next two weeks will decide what the future holds.

The Pioneers (17-6, 6-2 NECC), trail the University of New Haven (9-1 in NECC) by one game in the loss column. The Pioneers hold the advantage in that they face Bridgeport, New Hampshire and Keene State, while New Haven play a tougher schedule against Southern Connecticut and defending NECC champion UMass-Lowell.

If the Pioneers win all six league games, and the Chargers lose at least once, the Pioneers will still be alive for the NECC title and an automatic bid the NCAA tournament. (In the case of a tie, New Haven and Sacred Heart would play a one-game playoff for the title). Also, with a 17-6 record, the Pioneers stand a good chance to gain the lone at-large bid if they fail to win the NECC.

The Pioneers' strength this season has been their pitching. Junior Bryan Muthersbaugh's four-hit shutout of New Haven last Wednesday and senior Jerry Fry's impressive effort allowing only two runs in nine innings are indicative of the strong pitching the Pioneers have received. Senior Tim Ward, who has won six games with an ERA of 1.40, supplies the Pioneers with a strong 1-2-3 punch.

Assistant Coach Pam London knows

By Lori Bogue
Sports Editor

Alright, she graduated in 1986 and was an active member of the Pioneer softball team. As a senior she captured, "The President's Student Athletic Award" and "The Coach's Award" (which recognizes a player who contributes the most in spirit and dedication, etc.). She is an unselfish player and now an unselfish assistant coach of the Pioneers. Her name is Pam

London.

Pam also made Second Team NECC two years consecutively and cherishes her memories of the team's trips to Nationals.

Why softball? Pam continues to play softball and still anchors down second base for her slow pitch team. Pam smiled as she recounted her start in softball. "When I was little, my brother-in-law, Larry, and I were the best friends in the world. Larry taught me baseball from the time I was five years old," she said. Larry's enthusiasm and love for the game

drew Pam in.

Of course, during those years Pam did have the challenge of relaying the problem of a broken window or two to her parents. She expressed some dissatisfaction at the times when her parents weren't home and she had to suffer through the anticipation of their reaction to only fragments from the window.

She may have broken windows but she frequently skies and has

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Late Breakers...

Baseball

Win, 4 - 2 in 10 innings vs. Assumption
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Upcoming Games:

Softball, today, April 23 vs. Springfield
Baseball, Saturday & Sunday at home

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